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Thailand Grain and Feed Weekly Rice Price Update 2002

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Report Highlights: Weekly rice price and trade update.

> Includes PSD changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Bangkok [TH1], TH

INDICATIVE PRICES (WEEK ENDING MAR 18):

	EXPORTER	EXPORTER OBSERVATIONS							PERIOD AVG.	
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	CUR.	PRV.	
F WR 100 B	290	286	285	275	290	275	270	282	280	
WR 100 B	195	194	194	192	194	190	194	193	196	
PB 5%	194	189	190	187	185	185	190	189	190	
WR 5%	190	189	189	187	189	186	189	188	191	
WR 15%	181	182	182	175	181	179	181	180	184	
WR 25%	172	164	170	168	175	172	174	171	173	
WR 35%	167	160	165	NQ	NQ	NQ	165	164	167	
A 1 SUP	148	146	145	145	150	145	145	146	149	
A 1 SPEC	147	145	144	144	148	143	143	145	148	

MARKET TONE

PRICES FOR MOST GRADES OF RICE DECREASED SLIGHTLY AS INTERNATIONAL MARKET CONTINUED TO BE WEAK THIS WEEK.

TRADE SOURCES INFORM THAT PRIVATE EXPORTERS RECENTLY SOLD 6 CARGOES OF WR 100 B AT \$201/TON AND 2 CARGOES OF WR 100 A AT \$ 200/TON TO IRAN FOR DELIVERIES STARTING IN APR' 02.

THE FOLLOWING ARE REPORTED RICE EXPORTS (AS IS BASIS):

			YEAR	
WEEK	QUANTITY	4-WK AVG	TO DATE	YR AGO
ENDING	(MT)	(MT)	(TMT)	(TMT)
FEB 23	129,540	140,449	1,120	944
MAR 2	135,924	129,049	1,256	1,031
MAR 9	127,936	121,460	1,384	1,108
MAR 16	157,981	137,845	1,542	1,183

UNOFFICIAL EXPORTS FOR MAR 10-16 TOTALED 157,981 TONS, UP 30,045 TONS FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND 20,136 TONS FROM THE FOUR WEEK MOVING AVERAGE OF 137,845 TONS. EXPORTS DURING JAN 1- MAR 17 AMOUNTED TO 1,543,804 TONS, COMPARED WITH 1,183,380 TONS FROM THE SAME PERIOD IN 2001.

WEEKLY RICE SALES

PRIVATE REGISTERED RICE SALES WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO TRACK FOR THE PERIOD FEB 18-22, FEB 25 - MAR 1 AND MAR 4-9 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MOVEMENT DATA	FEB 18-22	FEB 25- MAR 1	MAR 4-9
WEEKLY SALES	91,033	74,182	73,860
4 WK SUM	346,951	341,735	249,907
4 WK MOV. AVER.	86,738	85,434	62,477
CUM. WEEKLY SALES	799,033	873,215	947,075